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KANSAS RACING AND GAMING COMMISSION

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The Honorable Bill Graves
Governor of The State of Kansas
State Capitol
Topeka, Kansas 66612-1590

Dear Governor Graves:

Enclosed is the 2000 Annual Report of the Kansas Racing and Gaming Commission. The report is a narrative and statistical summary of the regulatory responsibilities of the commission for fiscal year 2000.

The parimutuel racing industry in Kansas continues to decline, reflected by the 1.67% decrease in total handle from the previous year despite various attempts to bolster the industry by racetrack owners. The most significant of these attempts was the re-opening of Camptown Greyhound Park in Frontenac, under the new ownership of Ruffin Holdings, Inc. After six months of operation, Camptown Greyhound Park closed due to unsustainable losses. The industry faces great challenges, and the commission will do all that is possible, within its authority, to assist and will continue to assure the integrity of parimutuel racing in Kansas.

The commission looks forward to working with you and your staff, the legislature and other state agencies in carrying out its responsibilities in this important area.

Respectfully

Gene M. Olander, Chair
Kansas Racing and Gaming Commission

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